

Claim Amendments (Listing):

This listing of claims below will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the present application.

1-43 (Cancelled)

44. (New) A method for forming a document to be created from multiple resources, in accordance with document attributes, the method comprising steps of:

receiving a soft copy of a part of the document which is to be printed;

generating multiple print files from the soft copy;

applying the multiple print files to individual printers to print corresponding document portions from the print files;

collating the printed document portions from the printers into a single collated hard copy portion of the document;

scanning one or more sheets of the collated hard copy portion of the document to detect an identifier on the collated hard copy portion of the document;

adding an auxiliary item, not printed from a print file from the soft copy, to the collated hard copy portion of the document to form the final document;

scanning the auxiliary item to detect an identifier on the auxiliary item; and

verifying completion of the final document in accordance with the document attributes, based at least in part on the detected identifiers.

45. (New) The method of claim 44, wherein the auxiliary item comprises a credit card.

46. (New) The method of claim 44, wherein the step of adding an auxiliary item is responsive to the detected identifier on the collated hard copy portion of the document.

47. (New) The method of claim 44, further comprising:
detecting an error in a prior collation of the hard copy portion of the document;
wherein the step of applying the multiple print files to individual printers includes supplying a command to reprint at least one of the corresponding document portions responsive to the detecting of the error.

48. (New) The method of claim 44, wherein at least one step of scanning to detect an identifier comprises scanning to capture information from bar code.

49. (New) The method of claim 44, wherein at least one step of scanning to detect an identifier comprises recognition of one or more characters.

50. (New) The method of claim 44, wherein at least one step of scanning to detect an identifier comprises recognition of a graphic.

51. (New) The method of claim 44, wherein the step of verifying completion comprises comparing the detected identifiers to desired attributes for the final document specified in a data file for the document to be created.

52. (New) A product, comprising a machine readable storage medium and executable programming embodied in the medium, wherein execution of the programming by at least one programmable computer causes the at least one programmable computer to perform a sequence of steps for forming a document to be created from multiple resources in accordance with document attributes, the sequence of steps comprising:

generating multiple print files from a soft copy of a part of the document which is to be printed;

supplying the multiple print files to individual printers to direct the printers to print corresponding document portions from the print files;

controlling at least one device to collate the printed document portions from the printers into a single collated hard copy portion of the document and to add an auxiliary item, not printed from a print file from the soft copy, to the collated hard copy portion of the document to form the final document;

obtaining an identifier on the collated hard copy portion of the document based on a scanning of one or more sheets of the collated hard copy portion of the document;

obtaining an identifier on the auxiliary item based on a scanning the auxiliary item; and

verifying completion of the final document in accordance with the document attributes, based at least in part on the identifiers.

53. (New) The product of claim 52, wherein the step of adding an auxiliary item is responsive to the obtaining of the identifier on the collated hard copy portion of the document.

54. (New) The product of claim 52, wherein:
the sequence of steps further comprises detecting an error in a prior collation of the hard copy portion of the document; and

the step of supplying the multiple print files to individual printers includes supplying a command to reprint of at least one of the corresponding document portions responsive to the detecting of the error.

55. (New) The product of claim 52, wherein the step of verifying completion comprises comparing the detected identifiers to desired attributes for the final document specified in a data file for the document to be created.

56. (New) A computer control system for controlling printing and collation to create a document from multiple resources in accordance with document attributes, the system comprising a computer for:

receiving data representing attributes of each document page or a group of document pages of each document portion;

responsive to the received data, generating multiple print files corresponding to portions of a part of the document which is to be printed;

supplying the multiple print files to individual printers to direct the printers to print corresponding document portions from the print files;

controlling at least one device to collate the printed document portions from the printers into a single collated hard copy portion of the document and to add an auxiliary item, not printed from any of said print files, to the collated hard copy portion of the document to form the final document;

obtaining an identifier on the collated hard copy portion of the document based on a scanning of one or more sheets of the collated hard copy portion of the document;

obtaining an identifier on the auxiliary item based on a scanning the auxiliary item; and

verifying completion of the final document in accordance with the document attributes, based at least in part on the identifiers.

57. (New) The system of claim 56, further comprising at least one scanning device in communication with the computer for scanning the collated hard copy portion of the document and the auxiliary item and supplying data related to the identifiers to the computer.